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DAVID PLEAT

I HOPE that tonight we will see an excellent game and that those who enjoyed our last home performance will have brought a friend or neighbour along.

It should be fully publicised that Luton Town supporters have recently been voted the second best behaved fans in the country. It is an achievement to be proud of, and I congratulate our loyal terrace fans and hope you will continue to be a credit to the club.

I chuckled to myself before the season began when I read of the "dread" a tiny minority of local residents said they felt because the new campaign was starting. To all our fans I stress: don't give anyone the opportunity to knock this club, or its supporters.

We are now settling down and getting organised on and off the field. Players are getting to know each other and we all

sense that we can achieve good things together. Alan West and Paul Price have arrived back safely from America and can now challenge for a place and stimulate competition.

Considering all our new faces the newcomers acquitted themselves well against Oldham, particularly those without any league experience, such as Kirk Stephens, Mal Donaghy and Steve Sherlock. You must also remember that Mark Aizlewood has only a handful of Fourth Division games behind him. Obviously things didn't go so well at Crystal Palace, but we can have no complaints about the result there — on the night we were beaten by a better side. I hope we did better at Newcastle, although these notes had to be written before that match.

We welcome Wigan to Kenilworth Road tonight. It's always nice to see new teams in the League. About nine seasons ago I played in an FA Cup-tie at Wigan for Peterborough United. We were beaten by a last-minute penalty. Making his cup debut for Peterborough that day was Chris Turner, our new centre-half. I wish Wigan well as a League Club, but I hope our luck is in tonight and that you will get behind the younger players as we aim for a place in the next round.

See you Saturday.



Wigan Ath



Back Row: K. Smart, P. Houghton, N. Davids, G. Gay, J. Brown,
P. Corrigan, N. Ward, J. Hinnigan, J. Wright.
Front Row: I. McNeill (Manager), A. Crompton, I. Seddon,
T. Gore, I. Gillibrend, J. Wilkie, I. Purdie, K. Banks
(Trainer).

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JOHN BROWN. Age: 30. Ex-Preston and Stockport goalkeeper, now in his third season with Wigan. Height: 5'11". Weight: 12½st.

KEVIN SMART. Age: 19. Signed in close season, on a Free transfer from Plymouth Argyle, Made 9 Second Division appearances and 33 third Division appearances with West Country side. Height 5'8". Weight: 10st. 6lbs.

JOE HINNIGAN. Age: 21. Signed for a four figure fee from South Liverpool. Now in his fourth season at Springfield Park. Liverpool born. Height: 5'0". Weight: 11st.

JEFF WRIGHT. Age: 24. Signed from Netherfield four seasons ago. Excellent play-maker and also gets a fair quota of goals. Born in Alston. Height: 5'11". Weight: 11st. 3lbs.

NOEL WARD. Age: 24. Signed from Aberdeen two seasons ago. Played for Portadown in Northern Ireland before being transferred to Aberdeen. Born in Straban, Northern Ireland. Height: 5'2". Weight: 13st.

IAN GILLIBRAND. Age: 29. Club skipper. Has been with the Club 10 seasons and has over 600 appearances under his belt. Signed originally from Arsenal. Height: 5'8". Weight: 10st. 9lbs.

FRANK CORRIGAN. Age: 24. Signed from Northwich Victoria last season and has become a warm favourite at Springfield Park. Fine ball player. Height: 5'10". Weight: 11st.

TOMMY GORT. Age: 25. Signed from Transmere Rovers, now in his fifth season. Was player of the year 1977/78. Extremely powerful shot. Height: 5'8". Weight: 11st.

PETER HOUGHTON. Age: 23. Signed last season and scored 10 goals in 17 games. Previously with South Liverpool in the Premier League. Very powerful Centre Forward. Height: 5' 11". Weight: 12st. 10lbs.

JOHN WILKIE. Age: 28. Leading scorer for the last two seasons. Very quick. Signed for a four figure fee from Elgin City in the Highland League. Height: 5'7". Weight: 10st. 6lbs.

IAN PURDIE. Age: 25. Signed in the close season from Motherwell. Previously with Aberdeen and Dundee. Scottish Under 23 International. Height: 5'9". Weight: 11st.

ALAN CROMPTON. Age: 20. Ex-Blackburn and Sunderland inside forward. Signed in the close season. Height: 5'6". Weight: 10st.

NEIL DAVIDS. Age: 22. Ex-Leeds and Norwich Centre Half. Signed in the close season from Swansea City. Ex-England Youth International. Height: 6' 0". Weight: 12st.

MICKY WORSWICK. Age: 31. Only member of the Northern Premier League side to remain part-time. Ex-Amateur Internationalist, has been an out-standing non-league player for the past 10 years. Very quick wingman. Height: 5'7". Weight: 10st. 6lbs.

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WHAT A wonderful way to start the season. On a beautiful day with the supporters in short-sleeves it looked all set for the match with Oldham Athletic for a pleasant "cricket-like" atmosphere afternoon, but who would have thought that we were to be electrified by an exhibition of football and goal scoring by a new team only come together a few weeks ago. From the Luton team it was total commitment and the result was well earned.

To open the season's League Cup rounds we have drawn with Wigan Athletic, who as you know are making their debut in the 4th. Division. We take this opportunity to welcome the Directors, Manager, Players, Officials and Supporters and wish them every success in their new venture.

WIGAN ATHLETIC

WHO COULD possibly have forecast a year ago that we should be entertaining Wigan Athletic in the Football League Cup? It is the uncertainty that provides much of the attraction of the game and so we have the privilege of entertaining this Lancashire club in their first ever League Cup, a competition that is now open to them on their return to the Football League.

We say return, because a previous Wigan team, known then as Wigan Borough, were members of Division Three (North) in the first ten seasons of its existence from 1921 onwards. They finished in fourth place in 1928/9 and in fact did not have to

apply for re-election in any of their first ten seasons. Then, however, came disaster when financial problems caused them to resign from the Football League on October 26th, 1931, their record being deleted and Mansfield being elected in their place for the following season.

In 1932 Wigan changed their name to Wigan Athletic and as members of the Lancashire Combination and the Northern Premier League they have gradually re-established themselves as a team worthy of league status. They just missed being elected in 1950 when the Football League was extended by four teams, Scunthorpe pipping them in a second vote and in 1971 a major campaign to secure election ended in disappointment. Around that time, however, their F.A. Cup feats were beginning to speak for themselves. In the early 70's when GORDON MILNE was Manager before his move to Coventry they fully extended Manchester City at Maine Road before going down 1-0. Then last season they knocked out York City and Sheffield Wednesday before going down to Birmingham. In addition they reached the final of the F.A. Challenge Trophy in 1973, going down 2-1 to Scarborough at Wembley and last season they were runners-up in the Northern Premier League.

All of which brings us to this year, which suddenly came alight for them when at the Football League Annual meeting they tied with Southport on a first vote and then were elected on a

second vote.

The real test then came when they stepped out as a league club and sceptics who doubted their ability to survive with virtually the same side that had seen service last season, were made to think again as they kicked off with a draw against First Division Birmingham in a pre-season friendly and then followed up with a draw at Tranmere in the first leg of the first round of the League Cup and then knocked out the Third Division club by winning the second leg 2-1. Then last Saturday week they went to Hereford for their opening league match and took a point in a goalless draw which they several times came close to winning.

HERE TODAY.

MOST OF the Wigan team may be new to our supporters though the odds are that they will be more familiar by the end of the game. Men to look for up front are JOHN WILKIE who came from Elgin City and has been leading scorer in the past two seasons, and IAN PURDIE, a Scottish Under 23 international who before this season gained experience with Aberdeen, Dundee and Motherwell. Coming through from midfield FRANK CORRIGAN netted twice against Tranmere. He had a little League experience with Walsall before moving to Northwich Victoria and so on to Wigan last season.

PETER HOUGHTON is another man who has an eye for goal, scoring freely last season after moving in from

South Liverpool, while JEFF WRIGHT is an engine room man now in his fourth season and with a fair number of goals to his credit. When it comes to experience, however, skipper IAN GILLIBRAND has now played over 600 games since moving from Arsenal over 10 years ago. He is now club skipper and is usually seen in midfield.

Two far more recent signings are busy little IAN SEDDON ex-Bolton, Cambridge and Rochdale and defender NEIL DAVIDS, ex-Leeds, Norwich and Swansea. Both arrived in the close season.

Neil will probably be at the heart of the defence alongside NOEL WARD, who came from Aberdeen two years ago while on the flanks JOE HINNIGAN is another former South Liverpool man and TOMMY GORE is a one-time Tranmere man who had the satisfaction of scoring against his former club in the League Cup.

Substitute in the opening games was ALAN CROMPTON, a former Blackburn and Sunderland junior signed in the close season.

THE LONG ARM OF COINCIDENCE

In BRIAN Swain's "All Our Yesterdays" in our opening programme he mentioned the new signings of a decade ago and described how two of them, Harrison and Lewis had scored on their league debut against Oldham whilst the third, Sheffield had only been denied by the crossbar. In the opening league match of 1978/79 the opponents were also Oldham and the "new boys" again had a field day with a brace of goals apiece for Bob Hatton and David Moss whilst Chris Turner missed by inches when his powerful header struck the bar with the goal-keeper well beaten.

In THE first home league match of our promotion year in 1973/74 Luton achieved the same score — 6-1 as we did against Oldham recently. The similarity ended there however

as our opponents on that occasion, Carlisle, were overwhelmed by six goals in the first twenty minutes but scored the only goal of the second half.

SECOND DIVISION SCENE

THIS IS the stage of the season when every team must have at least a sneaking, even if sometimes illogical hope, that in twelve months time they may be kicking off in Division One.

Putting it another way then, who are the teams that we shall have to contend with if we are to win a place in the top three? One looks first at the teams which narrowly missed out last season and one must fancy Brighton to be in the running again. They missed out only on goal average last season after a fine finishing burst and if PETER WARD can recapture the scoring touch that eluded him in the latter part of the season then he and MALCOLM POSKETT, an inspired signing from Hartlepool less than a year ago, could be the outstanding dual strikers in the Division.

Blackburn Rovers too improved as the season progressed and if ace winger DAVE WAGSTAFFE can have a really good season they could well return to Division One.

At least one of the relegated clubs usually puts a strong challenge and of these West Ham look perhaps the most likely. 'POP' ROBSON and DAVID CROSS may take some holding by Second Division defences and perhaps Leicester under the strict training of new manager JOCK

WALLACE may surprise a few people, but BILL McGARRY's Newcastle will probably need more than one season in which to restyle themselves for a major challenge.

Of the teams coming up Cambridge and Preston will probably be happy if they can consolidate their places, but Wrexham proved last season that they are the equal of any team on their day and in this, their first season ever in Division Three.

Every season brings its surprises. Who could have anticipated Blackpool's relegation at this stage last year? Sunderland could be the side to slip a little this time after disappointing their fans last season by not quite making promotion. They do still have some good young players though. Bristol Rovers, Cardiff and Millwall may again be struggling to stay up, but Crystal Palace with new striker MIKE ELWISS from Preston may do well and Stoke with a useful young side now strengthened by the arrival of MIKE DOYLE in defence may just manage to climb back to Division One after two seasons away from it. One last shot? What about Burnley, who climbed spectacularly out of trouble last season.

FRONT PAGE PORTRAITS

In response to requests and for supporters to recognise some of our new players, the front page shows left to right — DAVID MOSS, MARK AIZLEWOOD, STEVE SHERLOCK, MAL DONAGHY, BOB HATTON, KIRK STEPHEN.

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CROSSWORD 2

CLUES—ACROSS

- 1 See 2dn
- 3 The BBC's "Goal of the World Cup" was Archie Gemmill's great... effort against Holland (4)
- 6 Famous old forward for Spain [who played here in the 1966 World Cup and in both matches against 11ac] (7)
- 7 One of the two big Davies' who were often together in Wales' front line in the 60's and 70's (3)
- 8 Last season he passed his 300th League game for Stoke (5)
- 10 (See 7ac) The other, taller Davies (3)
- 11 The last Football League club to win the European Cup-Winners' Cup (7)
- 12 & 13 Top scorer for Cambridge for the last two seasons (4,5)

CLUES—DOWN

- 1 Illegally go into the penalty area when a penalty is in progress (8)
- 2 & 1ac Former Wolves, Liverpool and Villa forward transferred recently from Walsall to Australia (4,5)
- 3 Promotion winners last season (7)
- 4 Spurs close-season signing from Fulham (4)
- 5 Jimmy Hill is managing director here (8)
- 6 Stokoe's successor at Sunderland (7)
- 9 He became boss of Lincoln last season (4)
- 10 Nickname of Motherwell (4)

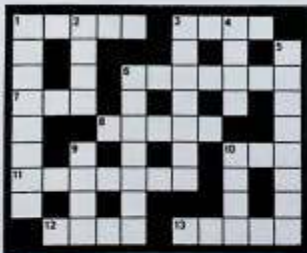
ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD 1

SOLUTIONS—ACROSS

1. Mills (Ipswich), 4. Bernd, 7. close season, 8. Derby, 12. Alan Warboys (7), 14. drawn, 15. Stein (BBC).

SOLUTIONS—DOWN

1. Macdonald, 2. lion, 3. Steve, 4. bye, 5. Floss, 6. Don Megson, 9. Burns (Forest), 10. Safa, 11. Home (Park), 13. Win.



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WE MIGHT have had a bit of a mixed start to the season, but there were no complaints at all from the first match when Oldham were hit for six in a storming second-half display.

Oldham had battled hard to keep their noses ahead until half-time after snatching an early goal, but the situation changed dramatically when we started to kick towards the Oak Road End.

The cameramen barely had time to settle before Bob Hatton was on target. His equaliser, pictured on the left, was popped in just 15 seconds after the second-half started, and Bob is seen celebrating as the ball crosses the line, with the Oldham goalkeeper on his knees.

Below: Three men get down to it as Brian Stein makes it 3-1 in the 71st minute. Goalkeeper McDonnell can only watch in dismay as Brian scores. In the background is David Moss, whose shot had hit the post to set up Brian's chance.

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PETER WATSON

SPORTS EDITOR WITH THE EVENING NEWS

NOTHING'S changed has it!

There's yobs in football colours halting the London Underground... a policeman seriously injured after being stoned following the Millwall-Newcastle game... and players kissing each other like a load of pannies.

Makes you sick doesn't it.

But what are we going to do about it all? Something, I hope — and fast. Because if we don't there won't be any football for us to enjoy.

It's not like this in the rest of the world, you know. And it's brought home whenever one goes abroad to see football.

Foreigners look at English fans aghast as they riot through their streets, screaming, yelling — and then creating more violence and disturbance inside their grounds.

Strange as it may seem, other people don't behave like that.

They take their families to football and sit back and enjoy the game.

Yes, sit back and enjoy it. And therein lies perhaps another problem. Many observers have long felt that if everyone was seated at a football match there would be less trouble.

But you and I know that it is impracticable in this country.

It would cost too many millions to put our soccer homes in order that way.

The bigger First Division clubs are being encouraged to put in more seats, however, and that's a good thing. It's harder to have a fight sitting down than standing up you know.

Realistically, however, the cure must come from the courts with stiffer sentences — and more realistic sentences. We must have a deterrent. At the moment, the yobs pay their fine, laugh, and go right out and do it again.

The problem is greater when it comes to our sorties into Europe because English fans are now regarded overseas as the scum of the earth.

That point has not been lost on Arsenal and I applaud their decision to form their own Travel Club so they are able to monitor those fans who go with them into Europe for the UEFA Cup this season.

Their club, which is being run by the David Dryer Sports organisation, who are Britain's leading sports travel experts, will have complete control over the fans.

Anyone wishing to see Arsenal's away legs will have to be a member of their Travel Club — any trouble and those fans will be out forever.

The Dryer organisation has years of experience in handling fans abroad and their record is excellent. I would commend more clubs to look at the Arsenal venture and link with Dryer for their European adventures.

That then, is a positive move by one of our greatest football clubs to clean up the game — and if a few more managers could stop their players kissing each other, I'd be delighted with that, too.

I was enthusing over Alan Gowling's goal for Bolton against Bristol City on BBC's Match of the Day when he was suddenly engulfed in smackers — quite sickmaking.

Hardly, a problem of the same magnitude as hooliganism — but nauseating nonetheless.

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ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

A look back at Luton Town a decade ago.
By BRIAN SWAIN, Sports Editor, Luton News

WITH NO disrespect to tonight's visitors, the victory we hope for against Wigan could be no sweeter than the Football League Cup win chalked up at Kenilworth Road ten years ago.

The Town went into the hat for the first round, and the draw gave us the game we wanted — at home to Watford. Rivalry between the two clubs had always been fierce, and Town supporters had been on the wrong end of the Watford lot's jibes for too long.

It was rumoured that one man actually used to watch both teams, Luton one week and Watford the next. The story was probably fiction, but those of us who heard it assumed that the chap went to Vicarage Road once a fortnight to get right away from football . . .

On the night of August 14 the Oak Road End was crammed, and the turnstiles there were shut at kick-off. The attendance was 20,167 and in a typical cup-tie we all got full value for money.

Over-anxiety showed in early Town attacks, with Bruce Riech blasting a shot over the bar, but it took only eight minutes for the ground to erupt with delight as Mike Harrison made and

scored the first goal.

He had a marvellous match on the left wing, and set off on a run which took him to the edge of the box. His pass put Brian Lewis clear, and Watford goalkeeper Bob Slater had no chance. He upended the Luton attacker, and Harrison scored from the penalty.

Stuart Scullion might have equalised soon afterwards, but Max Dougan stepped in with a saving tackle, and in a cut-and-thrust game the Town just about had the edge in the first half.

Slater dived full-length to save from Laurie Sheffield, and as the cup-tie battle threatened to turn into a war the tackling became fiercer. Fred Jardine escaped with a lecture for fouling Scullion, but the tension was reduced three minutes after the interval when man-of-the-match Harrison scored the Town's second goal.

Watford, fighting for their pride, were forced back onto defence, and big centre-half Duncan Welbourne was booked in the 71st minute for a foul on Lewis. Lewis had the last laugh — Harrison took the free kick and Lewis belted the ball into the net from close range to put the result beyond all doubt.

YOUTH

By George Rogers

THE Luton Youth team commenced their programme with an away fixture v. Derby County last Thursday 24th August. We wish them all the best in this new venture. Details of this game will be in the next programme. The first Home fixture in the Midlands Youth League will be played on Vauxhall Motors Sports ground on Thursday 7th, September. K.O. 2 p.m. Anyone who is able to get along and see the stars of tomorrow will be most welcome. The visitors will be Bristol City youth.

Next Sunday the 3rd, September sees the start of the local league fixtures. More boys are now playing than ever before. In the Chiltern

Youth league they have 93 teams competing, involving more than 1500 players, which is a record number. Will this lower the standard? Several prophesies have been put forward but in any case the more boys involved in playing football every week can not but be good for all.

The league is in 3 different age groups. The 10-12 teams, 21 in all, play on Sunday morning with a 10.30 Kick off and in the afternoons the 12-14 (26 teams) 14-16 (22 teams) and the 14-18 (24 teams). Once again many of these games will be played without an official referee and again we are appealing to any player who has hung up his boots or perhaps a

football follower who might like to do some exercise on a Sunday to help out. A telephone enquiry to Ray Berridge, Sandy BD417 or to me at the club will set the whistle in motion. Even if you do not want to referee any help in assisting with the running of youth football will be most welcome.

Every month the Chiltern Youth league publishes a "News letter". In this month's issue there is a brief description of the efforts of the Lewsey Park groundsmen who thought he had the football pitches looking good, only to have the Stanley Thurstan fair pitched in the middle of Pitch B. Full marks to him getting it playable for next Sunday.

FOCUS ON

CHRIS TURNER
BY DOUG LYGO

BORN in St. Neots where his parents still live Chris Turner almost qualifies as a local lad. However his early allegiance was neither to Peterborough or Luton but to Arsenal and he still admits to a great affection for the "Gunners". His first appearance at Kenilworth Road took place in the colours of the Huntingdonshire Youth side which defeated their Bedfordshire counterparts. As a result Chris was approached by the "Town" who discovered that Peterborough had beaten them to the punch. Joining his 'Posh' at the age of seventeen, Chris progressed to the 1st. team early in 1970/71 season and in one of his first games he played alongside David Pleat who scored his side's only goal. When John Wile was transferred to West Bromwich Albion later the same season Chris moved to the centre half position which he retained until breaking his jaw in the match with Notts County. His first league goal occurred in April 1971 against Brentford and a quite eventful season ended with a total of fifteen league appearances. In 1972/73 he enjoyed the record of being an ever-present with 46 league appearances and 7 goals whilst the following season he made 44 league appearances in the side which won the Division Four Championship conceding only 38 goals. The following year he again



played in every league match scoring 8 goals which left him only one short of the Club's joint top scorers, Robson and Gregory and he reached double figures through the addition of two Cup goals. In 1975/76 due to a slipped disc Chris managed only thirty one league matches but nevertheless achieved nine goals. At about this time Peterborough experimented with the big centre half at No. 9 and his record - 6 goals in 9

matches was good enough to make many a specialist striker envious. Returning to ever present status in 1977/78 at centre half Chris Turner formed an integral part of a defence which had the second best record in the Football League - 33 goals in 46 matches. Only the 1st Division Champions could better this figure.

Other highlights of his career are:- Missing only seven league games in four seasons.

Being twice voted best centre half in the 3rd Division in four seasons. Captaining Peterborough for 3 years.

Captaining New England Tea Men whenever Keith Weller was absent. Being voted player of the year in 1977 by Connecticut Bicentennials (U.S.A.).

Runner-up in Sunday People 1977/78 £250 3rd Division Ratings Contest - to team mate Doyle by a fraction of a point, and scoring one of the best ever own goals seen at Kenilworth Road in a Mid-Week League match in 1972 - other Luton scorers, Derek Hales, Chris and Lynne Turner will be moving to the Luton area from Peterborough in the near future and we wish them every possible happiness in their new home. Also, of course, every success to Chris on the field, and the best of luck in his other sporting pursuits, Horse and Greyhound Racing.

POOLS STEPS

APPLAUSE can be painful! To clarify this statement, after all the applause which we gave for the six glorious goals scored against Oldham Athletic at our opening game, it was difficult to count all the Pools income for a couple of days, but what a pleasurable pain it was!

Mrs. M.E. Langford, 48, The Rowlands, Biggleswade is our latest £1000 winner in "The Town" weekly lottery. She now joins the ranks

of our recently formed "1000" Club, she is in fact our Fourteenth member. As we can, and usually do, enrol one new member every week, lets hope it is soon your turn.

Just keep buying your lottery tickets regularly every week, you never know your luck.

*Good Luck to You
Mike Hardwicke M.D.
Hatters Pools (MFH) Ltd.*

FROM JOHN WILKINSON'S DESK.

I HAVE had two letters recently complaining about the state of our toilets. I can assure everyone that these are cleaned regularly and inspected on the morning before a match to make sure that they are in good order. If someone would like to come along next day and see how the public misuse them, I am sure they would be amazed, and I might add that this damage is not confined to the gentlemen. It should not be too long before the new tea bars are in operation and I must apologise to our supporters that work is behind schedule, but the recent bad weather has not helped.

Should tonight's match end in a draw the replay will be at Wigan next Tuesday, K.O. 7.30 pm. In the event of this happening it will be the club's first visit to the Athletic's ground and another ground to visit for our supporters chasing the magical 92 league grounds. In a later programme we shall be printing full details of the newly formed NINETY-TWO CLUB which I am sure will be of interest to many of you.

SPORTS FOR DISABLED. LUTON & DISTRICT BRITISH SPORTS ASSOCIATION FOR THE DISABLED

WE cordially invite any disabled persons to join in our fortnightly sessions. We meet on the 1st Sunday of each month at Luton Regional Sports Centre St. Thomas's Rd., STOPSLEY. 10.30am-12.30pm. On the 3rd Sunday of the month at Dunstable Recreation Centre 5pm-7pm. There is varied sports including the two most popular Archery and Table Tennis.

Anyone interested would they like to contact Mrs. Tompkins the Transport Officer Phone. 504057 or Publicity Officer Miss J. Armstrong Phone. 414486. They will be pleased to help and give any information that is required.

A NEW member of the Kenilworth Club is Mr. Clark of Clark Decorators of Ampthill. They also specialise in spraying and painting and we hope they enjoy their football and association with the "Town".

Ball Donor

Tonight's Match Ball has been sponsored by Mr. Jim Carlton of Terminal Cars Ltd. of Luton's Airport. Mr. Carlton is President of the South Beds. Sunday League whose Solar Cup Final has been played at Kenilworth Road for several seasons.

Mascot

The mascot for the match against Wigan is STEVEN AYRES. Steve comes from a football mad family and his father and brother are involved in the local football scene. Apart from soccer he is keen on cricket and his hobbies are drawing and reading. He has supported the Hatters for one year and his favourite player is Phil Boersma. His ambition is to play for his school team and later become a professional with Luton Town. Presently attending FOXDEN JUNIOR school and is 8 years of age.

DIV. 2

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CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH

Thames TV All Stars

A local match for a very worthy cause takes place at Laporte's Sports Ground, Dunstable Road next Thursday 31 August at 7.00 pm.

The match has been organised by the Bedfordshire branch of a newly registered charity, The Brittle Bone Society, which has over 400 members throughout Britain.

The Thames TV All Stars hope to include David Hamilton, Mick Robertson and Tommy Boyd of Magpie, Roy North of Basil Brush fame, and a star from the new Spearhead series.

They will be opposed by a team led by Peter Eastoe of QPR, our own David Moss, Pat Kruse of Brentford, plus several other professionals.

Shaw Taylor will be kicking-off and commentating whilst it is hoped that Malcolm Macdonald will make a non-playing appearance.

Admission costs only 25p and will all go towards research.

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Division Two

Combination

GOAL SCORERS

LEAGUE/CUP	4
Buckley	1
Carr	2
Faulkner	8
Husband	8

Table of Results -- at the end of season 1977-78

State or territory	P	W	D	F	A	D	L
Alabama	42	16	4	1	39	14	8
Alaska	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Arizona	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Arkansas	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
California	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Colorado	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Connecticut	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Delaware	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
District of Columbia	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Florida	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Georgia	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Hawaii	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Idaho	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Illinois	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Indiana	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Iowa	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Kansas	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Kentucky	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Louisiana	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Maine	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Maryland	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Massachusetts	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
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North Dakota	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Ohio	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Oklahoma	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Oregon	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Pennsylvania	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Rhode Island	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
South Carolina	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
South Dakota	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Tennessee	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Texas	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Utah	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Vermont	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Virginia	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Washington	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
West Virginia	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Wisconsin	42	15	4	1	38	14	7
Wyoming	42	15	4	1	38	14	7

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FOOTBALL

COMBINATION	
Turner	4
Ingram	14
Hill	1
West	1
Hinkle	5
Johnson	7
Smith	4
Carl	2
Bowen	2
Boersma	2
Stewart	1
Sperrin	8
Spain	4
Hayes	1

FOOTBALL COMBINATION FIXTURES - 1978.7

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All Saturday Matches Kick-off 3pm All Fixtures subject to alteration

City	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
Birmingham City	3	5	7	5
Bristol Rovers	10	10	16	5
Reading	17	17	21	5
Fulham	24	17	24	5
Asenal	5	10	21	5
West Ham	5	17	24	5
Bristol City	5	17	24	5
Crystal Palace	5	17	24	5
Q.P.R.	5	17	24	5
Leeds Town	5	17	24	5
Southampton	5	17	24	5
Hemel United	5	17	24	5
Nonwich City	5	17	24	5
Sheffon Town	5	17	24	5
Chelsea	5	17	24	5
Orient	5	17	24	5
Tottenham H.	5	17	24	5
Plymouth Argyle	5	17	24	5
Leeds City	5	17	24	5
Crystal Palace	5	17	24	5
Cardiff City	5	17	24	5
Reading	5	17	24	5
Fulham	5	17	24	5
Ipwich Town	5	17	24	5
Bristol City	5	17	24	5
West Ham	5	17	24	5
Asenal	5	17	24	5
Q.P.R.	5	17	24	5

Next home games

v CHARLTON Division 2 Sat. 2 September	v HEREFORD Combination Wed. 6 September	v SOUTHAMPTON Combination Sat. 9 September
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Junior Hatters Club

FIRSTLY we owe an apology to all those Junior Hatters whose birthdays were during the period between the last match of last season and last weeks' game against Oldham. Also we must apologise to those members who have not yet received their autographed birthday photos of their favourite players.

Because we have been awaiting the return of Paul Price and Alan West from America, we have not yet had a photograph session, but this we hope to put right during the next two weeks and as soon as we receive a new supply of photographs we will soon catch up with those birthday copies. Starting with the Charlton programme we will also bring up-to-date the birthday mentions.

With regard to choosing the Match Mascot, it has been the policy in the past to try and give a member whose birthday actually falls on a match day the opportunity of being that days' mascot, but to make the choice fairer to those members whose birthdays fall during the closed season, we now ballot for the mascot from all members whose membership is up-to-date.

This weeks' competition:—

1. Which First Division Club were Manchester United opponents immediately before the tragic Munich air crash?
2. Which International footballer played centre-half for his club, centre-forward for England and kept wicket for Middlesex?

Replies please to:— Junior Hatters Competition, Luton Town F.C., Kenilworth Road, Luton.
Entries to close after first post Monday 4th September, 1978 and the first all correct entry opened will receive two seats for a League match. The answers to the competition in the Oldham programme:—

1. Malcolm McDonald, F.A. Cup and League Cup with Newcastle and F.A. Cup with Arsenal.
2. Jack Wallace, Manager of last seasons' Champions, Glasgow Rangers.

Century Club

by Catherine Ball, Secretary

WITH THE new season now getting under way, the Century Club has already made a start on one of the most important roles it plays — making friends and keeping in contact with old ones.

Most football clubs have supporters' organisations like our own Century Club, and we are always glad when social contacts are made at our level as well as between players and managers.

For instance our counter-parts at Oldham are called the Vice Presidents Club, and we made contact with them before the season started. We offered them guests seats, refreshments and a warm welcome, as a result of which five Oldham vice presidents joined our circle of friends after the last home game.

It's done on a reciprocal basis, and while we were able to bask in the pleasure of the 6-1 win over Oldham I hope that we also softened the blow a little for their supporters.

Some of us went to Crystal Palace last week, and as you might guess our thoughts were along similar lines!

The team probably needs support more for away games than it does at Kenilworth Road, and the Century Club intends to play its part on that score.

The players, manager and staff are all honorary members of the Century Club, and most of them came in to see us after the Oldham game.

At the time of writing I did not know whether there would be any visitors from Wigan in our clubroom for this evening. If there are, we extend a very warm welcome to them and best wishes as they embark on their new Football League career.

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- 9 BRIAN STEIN
- 10 BOB HATTON
- 11 BRIAN MOSS
- 12

WIGAN

- JOHN BROWN 1
- TOMMY GORE 2
- GEOFF HINNIGAN 3
- NEIL DAVIDS 4
- NOEL WARD 5
- IAN GILLIBRAND 6
- FRANK CORRIGAN 7
- GEOFF WRIGHT 8
- PETER HOUGHTON 9
- JOHN WILKIE 10
- IAN PURDIE 11
- ALAN CROMPTON 12

Half Times

Bolton _____	Fulham _____	Rotherham _____
Chelsea _____	Darlington _____	Arsenal _____
Brighton _____	Northampton _____	Watford _____
Millwall _____	Hereford _____	Newcastle _____
Bristol City _____	Oldham _____	Walsall _____
C. Palace _____	Nottm. For _____	Charlton _____
Everton _____	Orient _____	Swansea _____
Wimbledon _____	Chesterfield _____	Tottenham _____
Exeter _____	Preston _____	Wrexham _____
Blackburn _____	QPR _____	Norwich _____

Officials

Referee: Mr J Hunting (Leics).
Commenced refereeing whilst with the Royal Signals in Egypt and Cyprus then via Leicestershire Senior League and Football Combination, has been on the Football League full list since 1968. Was appointed to the FIFA Panel of International Referees in 1973. Officiated in the FA Cup Final of 1971/72, and several International and European competitions. **Linesmen:** Mr L E Archer (High Wycombe) Red flag; Mr E N Day (Walthamstow) Yellow flag.